Advanced Metering

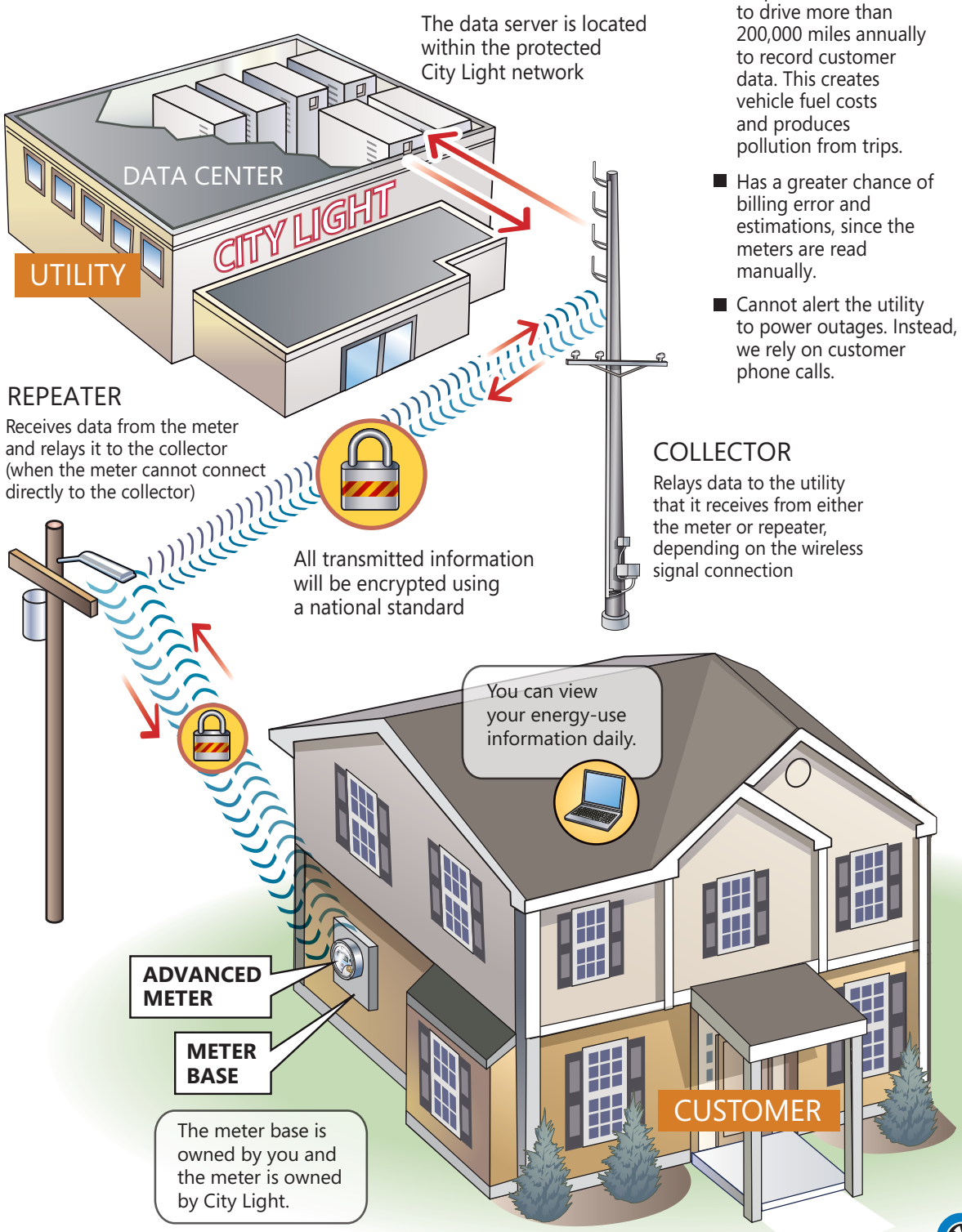
Seattle City Light is scheduled to begin replacing electric meters across our service area with advanced meters starting in 2017. Advanced meters will collect your energy-use information and send it to City Light through a secure wireless network.

Current Metering

- Manually read by meter readers every two months.
- Requires meter readers to drive more than 200,000 miles annually to record customer data. This creates vehicle fuel costs and produces pollution from trips.
- Has a greater chance of billing error and estimations, since the meters are read manually.
- Cannot alert the utility to power outages. Instead, we rely on customer phone calls.

Advanced Metering

- Uses secure wireless communications to send energy-use information to City Light.
- Enables you to view energy-use information daily, empowering you to make energy-saving choices.
- Creates more reliable customer billing.
- Alerts City Light to power outages, enabling a faster outage response.
- Provides added safety features such as sensors that can detect increasing temperatures.



The utility can remotely:

- Help you with questions related to your bill and meter.
- See when and where outages occur.
- Detect overloaded transformers or distribution lines.

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